

CLAIM AMENDMENTS

Claim 1. (previously presented) A curtain suspension device for hanging curtains flatly, characterised in that it comprises one or more elongate hangers (15), which have hooks (21 - 24, 17, 26, 41, 42) at their both ends adapted to be suspended on a rod (16) so as to be slideable along the rod.

Claim 2. (previously presented) A device according to claim 1, characterised in that the rod has brackets (30 - 33), at least one of which is arranged to permit the hooks to slide past the brackets.

Claim 3. (previously presented) A device according to claim 2; characterised in that said at least one of the brackets (30 - 33) is arranged to leave the upper surface of the rod free as a sliding surface for the hooks.

Claim 4. (previously presented) A device according to claim 3; characterised in that said at least one of the brackets comprises clamping means (36, 37) for clamping the rod (16) fixed.

Claim 5. (currently amended) A device according to Claim 1, ~~any of claim 2 - 4~~, characterised by a sliding fillet (18, 19,

28) on at least one of the hangers (15) for preventing the two curtains from sliding directly against each other at their suspension areas if two hangers are hung overlapping each other on the rod.

Claim 6. (currently amended) A device according to Claim 1, ~~any of the preceding claims~~, characterised in that the hooks (21 - 24, 17, 26, 41, 42) are arranged to be laid onto the rod.

Claim 7. (currently amended) A device according to Claim 1, ~~any of the preceding claims~~, characterised in that the hooks (21 - 24, 17, 26, 41, 42) have an opening at least as big as the diameter of the curtain rod.

Claim 8. (currently amended) A method of hanging curtains so that they become slideable on a ~~long~~ rod that is affixed to a substructure by more than one bracket, characterised in that elongated hangers (15) are used which have open suspension hooks (21 - 24) at their both ends, the curtains (11 - 14) are mounted flatly on the hangers and the hangers are suspended on the rod (16, 38, 39) with the hooks on the rod.

Claim 9. (currently amended) A method according to claim 8, characterised in that open hooks (21 - 24 ~~+~~, 17, 26, 41, 42) are

used and the brackets (30 - 33) of the rod are adapted to permit for the open hooks to pass the brackets.

Claim 10. (previously presented) A method according to claim 9, characterised in that brackets are used that leave a part of the surface of the rod free as a sliding surface for the hooks (21 - 24; 17, 26; 41, 42).

Claim 11. (currently amended) A method according to Claim 8 ~~any one of claims 8 - 10~~, characterised in that two or more hangers (15) are hung overlapping each other on the same curtain rod (16) so that they can be mutually moved but not separated.

Claim 12. (currently amended) A method according to Claim 8 ~~any one of claims 8 - 10~~, characterised in that hooks (21 - 24; 17, 26, 41, 42) are used having a design that permit them to be put onto the curtain rod (16).

Claim 13. (currently amended) A method according to Claim 8 ~~any one of the preceding claims~~, characterised in that one uses two curtain rods and puts one hook of at least one of the hangers on one rod and the other hook on the other rod.

Claim 14. (new) A device according to Claim 3, characterised by a sliding fillet (18, 19, 28) on at least one of

the hangers (15) for preventing the two curtains from sliding directly against each other at their suspension areas if two hangers are hung overlapping each other on the rod.

Claim 15. (new) A device according to Claim 4, characterised by a sliding fillet (18, 19, 28) on at least one of the hangers (15) for preventing the two curtains from sliding directly against each other at their suspension areas if two hangers are hung overlapping each other on the rod.

Claim 16. (new) A method according to Claim 9, characterised in that two or more hangers (15) are hung overlapping each other on the same curtain rod (16) so that they can be mutually moved but not separated.

Claim 17. (new) A method according to Claim 10, characterised in that two or more hangers (15) are hung overlapping each other on the same curtain rod (16) so that they can be mutually moved but not separated.

Claim 18. (new) A method according to Claim 9, characterised in that hooks (21 - 24; 17, 26, 41, 42) are used having a design that permit them to be put onto the curtain rod (16).

Claim 19. (new) A method according to Claim 10, characterised in that hooks (21 - 24; 17, 26, 41, 42) are used having a design that permit them to be put onto the curtain rod (16).

Claim 20. (new) A method according to Claim 9, characterised in that one uses two curtain rods and puts one hook of at least one of the hangers on one rod and the other hook on the other rod.